# SOUTH MORETON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOUTH MORETON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9th March 2022 AT THE CROWN AT 7.30PM

**Present:** Cllrs L. Deeley (Chair), T. Kendall, R. Macdonald, S. Willis and C. Gordon.

Also present L. Dalby (Clerk), County and District Cllr Murphy and nine members of the public.

## 1. Public Participation (Max 15 minutes)

A member of the public reported there will be a Jubilee Thanksgiving Service at the Church and they would like to invite everyone and coordinate with the Parish Council. Agreed to work with the Church

A resident asked about tree planting plans. Cllr Macdonald reported that tree planting came out of the Village Plan and a working group has developed a plan to plant trees and hedges on the rec. Would like to include an orchard alongside the houses. There will be a consultation which is important to gain views of the residents. There is also an opportunity to plant trees alongside the railway with funding from Network Rail. There needs to be a budget and plan for maintenance. Will be discussed at Village Meeting on 29th March.

A resident raised concerns about the village being a rat run and the poor parking outside the school.

## 2. Reports from County and District Councillors

Cllr Murphy reported that there is a housing support fund available from SODC for help with fuel payments. The £150 Council Tax rebate will be paid directly into resident's bank accounts.

Cllr Simpson's written report was noted.

# 3. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from District Cllr Simpson.

## 4. Declarations of personal and prejudicial interest

There were none.

## 5. Agree minutes of the meeting held on 12th January 2022

The minutes were agreed and signed by the Chair.

#### 6. Clerk's Report

There was none.

## 7. To discuss Annual Parish Meeting

Consultation on traffic, trees and rec. All houses to be leafleted. There will also be a Charity Update and Jubilee discussion at the meeting.

## 8. To discuss Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Cllr Deeley to coordinate a committee. Clerk to apply for street closure. Church and Clerk to write to their email lists to see if they can be merged.

## 9. To consider Recreation Ground Matters including rules for use of the field

There have complaints about dogs on the rec especially not picking up after dogs. Signs asking people to keep dogs on leads to be erected.

Working party have met. One of the planted Christmas trees is doing well. Proposed putting in a path around the recreation field. Looking into different play equipment including zip wire and football nets. Propose to cut a path into the grass and a football pitch to see how it will look. Working party to clear the recreation field. May require a skip.

## 10. To discuss dog bins in the parish

Agreed to review the bins and have any next to rubbish bins removed. Clerk to report to one bin is in North Moreton

## 11. To discuss tree planting

As per public participation.

## 12.To discuss Traffic Management

Sub committee has been formed and met. Agree there is too much traffic travelling too quickly. A meeting has been booked with highways. It was **resolved** to apply for a 20mph zone in the village. Could look at 'please drive slowly' and electronic speed signs. A traffic survey is needed. Is it possible to disincentivise people from coming through the village – traffic lights, zebra crossing etc. Parking is also a problem but there is no possibility of creating extra parking.

## 13. To note a report on the South Moreton Charity

Cllr Macdonald reported on the Charity. It needs to be reregistered and bank account signatories can't be changed until the charity is reregistered. The scope of the charity needs to be discussed once the paperwork has been sorted.

## 14. Agree Accounts for Payment

The following accounts for payment were agreed

Payee		VAT	£
L Dalby - Clerks	419.88		419.88
HMRC - PAYE	91.80		91.80

Payments made between meetings

Payee		VAT	£
SODC Dog bins	448.50	89.70	538.20
L. Deeley – Signs for the Recreation field	21.54		21.54

#### 15. To note finance report

Noted

## **16.**Correspondence

Concerns raised about large tractors coming through the village damaging the verges.

## 17. Items for report and inclusion on the next Agenda

None.

18. To confirm the date of the next meeting as May  $11^{\rm th}$  2022 Agreed. Clerk to contact the school.